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### KENTUCKY RECYCLING INTEREST GROUP MEETING (KRIG)

KRIG met March 10 at the Georgetown Conference Center adjacent to the stadium where the Cincinnati Bengals hold their training practice. Cam Metcalf of the Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center (KPPC) outlined KRIG'S Mission Statement: "The Kentucky Recycling Interest Group promotes 'zero waste' through resource conservation, increased recycling, and waste reduction." Cam also spoke on the vision, objectives and accomplishments of the KRIG group to date. Esther Moberly of Bluegrass PRIDE updated everyone on the World Equestrian Game Recycling Initiatives (see below). Attendees then broke into the four active committees: Enhance Industrial Recycling Exchange/Improve Recycling Resources, Legislative & Regulatory Issues, Promotion & Education in Schools/Recycling Awareness & Outreach and Make Recycling Convenient/Employ Social Marketing. After lunch, committee chairs reported on the outcomes of each meeting and outlined key goals.

Brad Stone, assistant director, Department for Energy Development and Independence, filled in for Secretary Len Peters at the meeting. Brad outlined **Kentucky's 7-Point Strategy for Energy Independence** The plan strives for a 20 percent cut in greenhouse gas emissions, increased coal research, and the creation of 40,000 jobs in the energy sector. His presentation ended with a question and answer period for the more than 45 attendees.

Among KRIG'S immediate goals are to set up a Web site, host a booth at the Governor's Conference on the Environment and attend to the objectives of each committee. The KRIG steering committee plans to meet during the conference.

## 2010 ALLTECH FEI WORLD EQUESTRIAN GAMES

The 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games Green Initiatives Committee is working with the World Equestrian games staff and The Horse Park in getting ready for 2010. One of their efforts is to make recycling available to all the visitors and participants. One goal is to have up to 15 waste stations placed throughout the park. These stations will be a combination of trash and recycling bins, with signage, pictures and words, and flagging so they can be found in a crowd. Sponsors are needed to purchase and place these waste stations. Anyone interested in sponsoring a waste station to increase recycling and provide proper management of trash for the Games can contact Danielle Landolt, 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games, Sponsorship Sales Manager, at 859-255-2010, or at dlandolt@feigames2010.org.

#### RECYCLING COMMODITIES ARE IN A STATE OF FLUX

Prices for recyclable commodities are in a state of flux, with most market buyers unsure of future pricing. Some U.S. paper mills are running well, while others are turning tonnage away. The export of OCC, #8 & #6 News and #1 Mixed Paper has slowed, while Plastics (HDPE and PETE) are moving steadily overseas. Aluminum is being ignored by export markets, while copper scrap inventories in China are being rebuilt. Recycling operations that have scores of materials built up since last winter might consider moving at least some of their inventories while prices are improving, if for no other reasons than to keep markets open and improve cash flow. Small increases in pricing over several months may indicate that economic conditions will be improving, but only if the pricing shows steady increase. Only time will tell.

# SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 33<sup>RD</sup> GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The conference, *Energy & Environment Empowering Our Future* is scheduled for Sep. 30 – Oct. 1, 2009. For more information, please contact Natalie Jensen at 502-564-7192 or at <a href="mailto:natalieE.jensen@ky.gov">natalieE.jensen@ky.gov</a>

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Paper	\$ per ton	Board and Mill purchase prices, baled, FOB seller's dock. From Mar. 7, Official Board Markets Yellow Sheet, Chicago market.	Previous month	Previous Year
Mixed Paper	15		10-15	88
Sorted Office	90-100		90-100	225
Newsprint #6	5-10		0-5	83
Newsprint #8	35-40		25-30	105
Sorted White Ledger	150-160		170-180	315
Corrugated Containers	35-40		25-30	85-90
Plastics	Cents per lb.	From market sources serving Kentucky, contacted Mar. 9. Baled, FOB seller's dock. Priced as loads available.		
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET-soda bottles)	8	clear and green (mixed)	8	19
High Density Polyethylene (HDPE-milk jugs) #2	18	natural	13	38
Glass	\$ per ton	Waste and Recycling News Commodity Pricing Mar. 9; average for truckload quantities, delivered to end-user, Chicago market.		
Clear	15		16	25
Amber	8		8	16
Green	4		4	4
Metals	Cents per lb.	Aluminum from AnheuserBusch/Wise Recycling, contacted Mar. 9		
Aluminum Cans	41	densified, baled truckload, picked up	44	1.04
	\$ per gross			
Steel Cans	<u>ton</u> 52	Waste and Recycling News Commodity pricing contacted Mar. 9, Tractor Trailor Load, Baled, FOB seller's dock.	52	206



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